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Background Checks on all Initial Licensees

During the 2003 Legislative Session, the Kentucky General Assembly passed House Bill 195, which gives the Board the authority to conduct criminal background checks on physicians practicing in the state. At the March Board meeting it was decided to require background checks on all physicians applying for initial licensure by endorsement from another state. Recent medical school graduates will be excluded.

Appointments to the Board

On February 13, 2003, Governor Paul Patton issued an Executive Order reappointing Kathie E. Grisham, Esq., of Covington, to serve on the Board as a consumer advocate through August 2006.

KBML Ranking Among Other State Boards

Based on statistics by the Public Citizens Health Research Group, a health care consumer advocate group in Washington D.C., Kentucky remains one of the more active medical Boards in the country taking disciplinary actions against physicians who violate the Medical Practice Act. Using information from the Federation of State Medical Boards, the Public Citizens Health Group ranked the performance of the fifty state medical boards and the District of Columbia. As a result, Kentucky ranked 4th in serious disciplinary actions taken for 2002.

New KBML Web Site Address

The Board's web site address has been changed to kbml.ky.gov. The old address of kbml.org will automatically be redirected to this new address. The KBML site contains information about the Board, policy statements and guidelines, a direct link to the KY Medical Practice Act Statutes & Regulations, recent newsletters, monthly disciplinary actions, application forms and other valuable information for the public as well as for physicians, physician assistants and athletic trainers. The site also contains a physician profile of physicians holding an active Kentucky medical license and plans to add a profile for physician assistants and athletic trainers in the very near future.

If you have Internet access please visit the KBML web site and let us know your opinion. Any suggestions or additional items that you would like available on the site will be welcome.

2003 Annual Renewal of Physician Licenses

Annual renewal of physician licenses for the current year has just been completed. As of April 17, 2003, 8,390 physicians with an in state practice address renewed their license and 3,694 with an out of state practice address registered for a total of 12,084. This total reflects a small decrease over last year's total for the same time period. This is the first time license renewals declined since the Board's inception in 1972.

Addendum to Gifts to Physicians

Several letters have been received recently from physicians regarding an article in the last KBML Newsletter relating to potential violations by physicians receiving honorarium from pharmaceutical companies. In an effort to clarify the Board's position, the following addendum to the guidelines on "Gifts to Physicians" was adopted at the March 27, 2003 Board meeting.

Gift giving from the pharmaceutical, device and medical equipment industries to physicians has been a custom, and has often served a beneficial function for physicians and patients alike. But when gift giving is not practiced within the established ethical boundaries, the perception of conflict-of-interest is raised. Physicians, physicians in training and industry representatives should adhere to the AMA Code of Medical Ethics, Opinion 8:061, "Gifts to Physicians from Industry", which offers seven basic guidelines on gifts.

The guidelines are not black or white but should be judged by degree so as to avoid the pursuit of these practices to excess. We offer the following clarification regarding subsidies for consultants.

*The Opinion reads, "It is appropriate for consultants who provide **genuine** services to receive reasonable compensation and to accept reimbursement for reasonable travel, lodging and meal expenses. Token consulting or advisory arrangements cannot be used to justify the compensation of physicians for their time or their travel, lodging, and other out-of-pocket expense.*

We would recommend these defining questions regarding Consultancies, Advisory Boards, Speakers Bureaus, etc.:

- Who is providing input and who is receiving it?*
- Will input actually impact the company's decision-making?*
- Is feedback provided to the physician that indicates true consulting activity?*
- Is the company providing training intended to influence the content of the presentation?*
- Will the invited physician truly be bringing expertise to the activities?*
- Is the amount of genuine work greater than the amount of promotional or social time?*
- Is there a notion of reciprocity?*

We ask physicians to use good judgment so that patients can be confident that they are receiving their physicians' best care, uninfluenced by the interest of third parties. The Kentucky Board of Medical Licensure hopes this discussion helps all Kentucky physicians avoid inappropriate gifts.

The original guidelines and addendum can be found on the Board's website at kbml.ky.gov.

Final Disciplinary Actions

Lowell G. Arnett, M.D., Inactive #35139, Montgomery Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 03-18-03.

Richard A. Blair, M.D., #12811, Adair Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 02-03-03.

Joe T. Broderson, M.D., #17771, Fayette Co.

Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered 03-24-03.

Berry A. Campbell, M.D., #28208, Fayette Co.

Order Terminating Probation issued 01-24-03. Letter of Agreement with terms and conditions entered into 01-24-03.

Jeffrey P. Campbell, M.D., #30359, Fayette Co.

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 03-11-03.

Frederick H. Coates, M.D., #21689, Fayette Co.

Order Denying Request to Modify Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction dated 03-11-03.

Robert D. Fant, M.D., #19111, Barren Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 01-06-03.

Michael D. Finn, M.D., #30044, Daviess Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 02-03-03.

**Patrick C. Finney, M.D., #35073
McCracken Co.**

Amended Agreed Order of Revocation; Probated issued 03-13-03. Physician allowed to utilize Schedule II stimulants in office practice and Schedule II narcotics in hospital setting.

**Robert M. Gevedon, M.D., #29767
Montgomery Co.**

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 02-12-03.

Mark L. Glasgow, M.D., #36538, Jefferson Co.

Agreed Order of Surrender entered into 01-17-03.

Timothy T. Grosser, M.D., #18989, Mason Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 03-28-03.

James K. Holbrook, M.D., #27278, Rowan Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 01-24-03.

Hany M. Iskander, M.D., #35671, Cincinnati, OH

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 03-18-03.

**Stanley Lowenbraun, M.D., #14809
Jefferson Co.**

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 02-07-03.

Sean M. Maguire, M.D., #28821, Hopkins Co.

Agreed Order entered into 04-09-03.

Mumtaz I. Malik, M.D., #22028, Hardin Co.

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02-27-03.

Joseph R. Mannino, D.O., #01869

Coral Springs, FL

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02-19-03.

Quinton C. Meek, M.D., #28887, Oldham Co.

Order Amending Order of Probation issued 01-27-03. Additional practice location approved.

Michael D. Perkins, M.D., #19098, Whitley Co.

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 03-18-03.

Jeffery W. Prater, M.D., #26516, Perry Co.

Amended Agreed Order of Probation entered into 02-12-03. Allowed to resume utilization of controlled substances.

James W. Price, D.O., #02566, Christian Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 01-06-03.

Thomas P. Rankin, M.D., #19902, Jefferson Co.

Order Denying Requests to Modify February 21, 2002, Order.

James P. Roach, M.D., #21321, Woodford Co.

Agreed Order entered into 01-27-03.

James E. Ross, M.D., #11856, Jessamine Co.

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 02-19-03.

Mark W. Rukavina, M.D., #22686, Fayette Co.

Amended Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction issued 03-13-03. Allowed to resume utilization of controlled substances.

Guy M. Sava, M.D., #20658, Mankato, MN

Agreed Order of Indefinite Restriction entered into 01-24-03.

Don R. Shegog, M.D., #23792, Cincinnati, OH

Amended Agreed Order of Probation issued 03-13-03. Allowed to resume utilization of controlled substances.

Charles L. Smith, D.O., #02109, Johnson Co.

Agreed Order of Probation entered into 01-17-03.

Robert S. Walsh, M.D., #33255, Pike Co.

Amended Order of Suspension and Indefinite Restriction issued 03-21-03.

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